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Top NSL award in 10th year

★ Luis Calcaterra of Ferro and Alvaro Perdomo of Nacional are about to join NSW State League club Uruguayan Auburn — see page 13.

★ Croydon City, last year's Victorian State League champion, is in turmoil — see page 11.

The Australian Player of the Year award, determined according to Press votes, will be presented for the 10th time this year. And once again, there will be awards for the coach of the year, under 21 player of the year and referee of the year. The Press also will name an all-star eleven, made up of the best players in each position.

The National League, meanwhile, has started an award of its own — determined according to coaches' votes. After each game, the OPPONENT coach chooses the best players of the other team! It probably means that every time the coach's team loses, the best player will be either the goalkeeper or stopper of the opposing team.

The Australian Press awards were introduced by members of the Victorian media when the NSL started in 1977. NSW, South Australian and Queensland pressmen joined in later.

And they have been the most prestigious awards in NSL soccer over these 10 years.

Winners over the years in the player of the year award, have been:

1977 — Jimmy Rooney (Marconi); 1978 — Ken Bodea (Newcastle Utd); 1979 — Ivo Prskalo (Marconi); 1980 — Jim Hermiston (Brisbane City); 1981 — Bobby Russell (Adelaide City); 1982 — Peter Kaitoles (Sydney Olympic); 1983 — Joe Watson (Sydney Hakeah); 1984 — Serge Metta (Adelaide City); 1985 — Graham Honeyman (Adelaide Hellas).

LOCAL HERO RETURNS

Tony Dorigo, the local hero who made the big time in English football with Aston Villa, returned home last weekend for an extended holiday.

Dorigo (seated, centre) was a spectator at Hindmarsh Stadium last Sunday for the Adelaide Hellas-Croydon City Nanda Cup game.

He sat in the grandstand flanked by FIFA referee Donald Campbell (right) who coached him when he played for Birkdale as a junior and George McMillan (left) a former Adelaide City coach.

Dorigo was Aston Villa's Player of the Year this season.

He was unable to accept an offer to guest for Adelaide City Juventus because Aston Villa refused permission for him to play.



Heidelberg goalie Jeff Oliver was flying high at Olympic Park on Sunday as his team clashed with Blacktown in a Nanda National Cup quarter-final. Heidelberg won the match after a thrilling penalty shoot-out. See story page 8. Picture: LES SHORROCK.

This week he has accepted an invitation from Donald Campbell to coach the Brighton Primary School team.

• Soccer Action's Allan Crisp also is seen in FRANK HOBBES' picture.



World looks to Denmark

MEXICO CITY — Bring on the Danes. Perhaps they will make up for the disappointment the world has felt so far over Brazil, France and Italy.

Brazil had its moments in its first World Cup game against Spain, but this Brazil is nothing like its teams of old.

"Now we play the soccer everyone else plays — defend ourselves and counter-attack," said coach Tele Santana.

Spanish coach Miguel Muñoz, who had charge of the dazzling Real Madrid of Alfredo Di Stefano and Ferenc Puskas, also has joined the ranks of the anti-football brigade.

"We are looking more to prevent the adversary from winning, than to obtain our own victory," he said before Spain's 0-1 loss to Brazil.

When Pele uttered his famous description of football as "the beautiful game" he used words such as ballet, passion and romance.

But those concepts have fallen by the wayside as the accent turns to those aspects of soccer that drives the fans away.

British Spokes says: "The pleasure of soccer is to play beautifully — but sometimes you are forced to play ugly."

Zico says: "What we need is a bandit. We must play dirty when necessary."

And so the World Cup looks to Sepp Piontek's exciting Danish side to project the smiling face of football.

The nippy, sparkling South Koreans also have the capacity to be entertainers, especially with Cha Bum-Kun in attack. And perhaps Francescoli and da Silva will help make Uruguay the type of team that the world is waiting to watch.

"By all means call us the European Brazilians if you like," said Piontek. Whether Denmark can live up to that tag will be determined when it meets Scotland tomorrow morning (Thursday), our time. The Danes then will play against Uruguay on Monday morning and on the morning of Saturday week.

The West German-born coach has a burning desire to take the trophy back to Copenhagen but he will be happy to arrive home empty-handed if both players and spectators have derived enjoyment from the Danish performances.

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World Cup

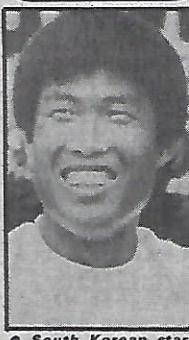
USSR 6 (Yakovchenko 2nd, Alainikov 4th, Belanov 6th, 25th, Yarensuk 66th, 74th, Rodionov 80th) HUNGAR 0. World Cup Group C match at Irapuato. Crowd: 35,000. Referee: Luigi Agnoli (Italy).

ARGENTINA 3 (Veldano 60th, Gazzola 68th, Ruggeri 18th) SOUTH KOREA 0. World Cup Group C match at Chang-Sun 72nd. World Cup Group A match in Mexico City.

MOROCCO 0 POLAND 0. World Cup Group F match in Monterrey.

The odds

Latest World Cup betting market issued by Ladbrokes:
Argentina and Brazil 7-2; Uruguay 6-1; England 9-1; Italy and Mexico 12-1; Denmark, France and West Germany 14-1; Hungary and Spain 25-1; Belgium and the Soviet Union 28-1; Poland 33-1; Portugal and Scotland 50-1; Paraguay 66-1; Bulgaria and Northern Ireland 100-1; Argentina 200-1; Morocco 250-1; Iraq and South Korea 500-1; Canada 1,000-1.



• South Korean star CHA-BUM-KUN



• Argentine World Cup star Daniel Passarella was taken to hospital on Monday, apparently suffering a recurrence of an intestinal infection.

Passarella (pictured) was rushed to the emergency section of the Humanita Hospital in Mexico City after again being hit by the complaint which hit first last week.

The influential sweeper had trained lightly a few hours before his visit to the hospital. He was Argentina's captain in the 1978 World Cup.

What about homeless?

Among the 40,000 earthquake victims who still live in emergency camps dotted around Mexico City, bitterness is expressed over expenditure lavished on the World Cup.

Juan Villegas, who lives in a small tent in a city-run settlement, said: "What the authorities care about us homeless? They just want to improve their image."

But government officials deny claims by homeless self-help organizations that official funds planned for earthquake aid have been diverted to image building during the tournament.

The government's debt negotiators, playing for real in talks on more generous repayment terms on Mexico's \$14 billion foreign debt, say they will not waste a month watching soccer on television.

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McStay the pessimist

• Scotland's Paul McStay is under fire at home. Seems he booked his holidays abroad — after the first round of the World Cup! Doesn't show much confidence, does it?

All the TV matches

SBS

Wednesday, 4 June.
7.45 am Portugal v England.
Thursday, 5 June.
7.45 am Scotland v Denmark.
Friday, 6 June.
3.45 am Italy v Argentina.
Saturday, 7 June.
3.45 am Brazil v Algeria.
Sunday, 8 June.
7.45 am Poland v Portugal.
Monday, 9 June.
3.45 am West Germany v Scotland.
Tuesday, 10 June.
3.45 am Hungary v France.
Wednesday, 11 June.
3.45 am Argentina v Bulgaria.
Thursday, 12 June.
7.45 am England v Poland.
Friday, 13 June.
3.45 am Northern Ireland v Brazil.
Saturday, 14 June.
3.45 am Scotland v Uruguay.

Monday, 16 June.
Time to be announced stage two match.

Tuesday, 17 June.
The stage two match.

Wednesday, 18 June.
The stage two match.

Thursday, 19 June.
TBA stage two match.

ABC

10 pm Highlights of day four.

10.05 pm Highlights of day five.

10.25 pm Highlights of day six.

10.25 pm Highlights of day seven.

10.35 pm Highlights of day eight.

9.45 pm Highlights of day nine.

10 pm Highlights of day 10.

10 pm Highlights of day 11.

10.05 pm Highlights of day 12.

11 pm Highlights of day 13.

9.55 pm Highlights of day 14.

Sunday, 15 June.
10.40 pm Summary of first-round highlights.

Uruguay is the World Cup favorite, according to England manager Bobby Robson — and Denmark may be unable to stand the pace in Mexico.

Robson says: "Uruguay I respect enormously. I really liked them against us two years ago, they have some outstanding players. I met Omar Barros, the manager of Frankfurt, who went to see Brazil play West Germany. He has 16 to 18 class players playing in Europe and he was going round looking at them all. That's an addition to what he has got back home. It's staggering what they

produce from a population of three million."

"I thought they were excellent against us on our tour. Where Brazil were all technique and talent and firm, Uruguay were hard and firm — very talented, very technical, and very different. I really rate Uruguay."

"Mexico will be very difficult to beat in the finals. Their manager has had them together for more than a year. You know, they've played more than 60 matches. He's worked up the team morale and the team spirit and the integration of the players and he's done very well. I think his best formation will be so I should think they will be streets ahead of everyone else in terms of preparation. And with the talent they have got they are going to be difficult to dislodge."

"Argentina and, obviously, Brazil always produce good World Cup teams. They keep bringing good players off the beaches and off the back streets where sometimes the best players are born and bred. They have the environment which produces the top-class players. Our kids are too busy watching television and videos and playing with computers and things like that."

"This side of the water you have to rate Italy, West Germany, France, England, and Scotland, too, look as though they have got a bit of a side show."

"Denmark will be the dark horses. The trick with Denmark is whether they will be tough enough to play seven matches in the period of four weeks to win it. They can beat anybody on any day, but I don't know if they can play seven teams on seven occasions over the four weeks, I don't know."

"They couldn't do it in the European Championship. They were the second best team in my opinion, after France. But Denmark didn't get to the final because weariness took over and they couldn't combat it."

"The same thing will happen this time I think." "Briegel is a different story because he can play football himself, too. He doesn't have to be as cruel as Gentile is because he knows he can play the ball too."

Diego Maradona has hit out at weak referees who condone what he calls "anti-football".

He says: "For me anti-football is a game with a lot of violence — on the pitch, I mean — and it would be same thing in everyday life if we were allowed to rob, steal and kill freely. But, for that, there is a law that punishes the criminals. On the football field, the law is the referee. And if the referee does nothing, then the violence is no longer the players' fault. The guilty one is the referee."

Asked what he thinks of Italy's Claudio Gentile, also known as "The Butcher", Maradona says:

"Well, it is not Gentile's fault, if he's allowed to go on to the field to kick people. Gentile cannot play football. The only thing he can do is kick other players, and he's physically strong."

And what of the other famous marker, Hans-Peter Briegel of West Germany?

"Briegel is a different story because he can play football himself, too. He doesn't have to be as cruel as Gentile is because he knows he can play the ball too."

Evaristo in, Edu out



• Scotland's Graeme Souness.

Souness in Adelaide

• Scotland's captain Graeme Souness will earn \$750 for each of five guest games with Adelaide Hellas in 1977.

He was voted best on the ground in two of those games.

The results of games in which he played were: 1-4 vs Adelaide Juventus, 5-1 vs Brisbane Lions, 1-1 vs Western Suburbs, 0-0 with Canberra and 0-0 vs Heidelberg-Alexander.

Souness also master-minded Middlesbrough's 5-0 thrashing of the Socceroos at the Sydney Sports Ground in 1977, scoring one of the goals and calling the shots in midfield.

From Middlesbrough, which had brought him from Tottenham Hotspur, Souness moved to Liverpool and Sampdoria, before returning to Scotland recently as player-manager of Glasgow Rangers.

Edu, elder brother of Zico, lost his job as coach of Iraq just before the World Cup finals.

Edu had changed of the Vasco Da Gama team that was beaten by the Socceroos in the final of an international tournament at the MCG last year.

He took over as Iraq's coach when his predecessor Jorge Vieira flew home to Brazil for a New-Year holiday, but got his marching orders after poor warm-up results by the Iraqis.

Edu's replacement is Evaristo de Macedo, who was sacked by Brazil just before last year's qualifiers, and then again by Qatar after the recent Gulf Cup failure.

Blokhin aims for 100

Oleg Blokhin will strut the Mexican stage as the USSR's greatest-ever forward, yet just over a year and a half ago he thought his international career was finished.

Blokhin had been dropped after the USSR's 0-1 loss to the Republic of Ireland in Dublin. The official explanation of his absence from the next few internationals was a "hamstring injury". Blokhin, though, still was fit enough to play club football and it was predicted that Blokhin will become the first Soviet to make 100 international appearances. He should reach that milestone in Mexico.

Blokhin is one of two Soviets to win the European Footballer of the Year award. Blokhin won that honor in 1975. The other was Lev Yashin, the great keeper.

Blokhin comes from a famous Ukrainian sporting family. His mother was the Soviet champion over 400 and 800 metres and was decorated with the coveted title of Distinguished Master of Sport. His father was a footballer and at the end of his career worked for the Ukrainian Football Federation as supervisor of apprentices.

Blokhin is a gifted athlete. His best time for 100 metres is 10.8 seconds and his colleague at the Kiev athletic club he joined as a teenager was the great Valery Borsov, 1972 Olympic gold medalist and the fastest man in the world at the time.

"If he had decided to be a sprinter and concentrated fully on athletics, he would have been among the best in the country," said Borsov.

Blokhin's main assets are his speed, ball control, tremendous shot and a very high conversion rate of scoring chances. He is mobile, technically highly gifted and has shown great initiative in trying the unusual."

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Brazil's coach, Teles Santana, earns \$9000 a month, plus bonuses.

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And the Brazilian federation reckons World Cup preparation has cost about \$5 million.

About his approach to soccer, Santana says: "My plans are simple. When opponents control the ball, it is a reason for all my players to worry, but when Brazil has the ball, the order is attack."

All-time Cup ladder

	Matches	Victories	Draws	Defeats	Goals	Points
1 Brazil	57	37	10	10	144	62
2 Germany FR	54	31	11	12	122	78
3 Italy	43	24	9	10	74	45
4 Argentina	34	16	5	13	65	50
5 England	29	13	8	10	49	34
6 Uruguay	29	14	5	10	57	39
7 Hungary	29	14	3	12	85	48
8 USSR	24	12	5	7	37	25
9 Poland	21	12	4	5	38	22
10 Yugoslavia	28	11	6	11	47	36
11 Sweden	28	11	6	11	48	28
12 France	27	11	3	13	59	50
13 Austria	23	11	2	10	38	40
14 Spain	23	8	5	10	26	30
15 Czechoslovakia	25	8	5	12	34	40
16 Netherlands	15	8	3	5	32	19
17 Chile	21	7	3	11	26	32
18 Switzerland	18	5	2	11	28	44
19 Scotland	14	3	5	6	20	29
20 Peru	15	4	3	8	19	31
21 Portugal	8	5	0	1	17	8
22 Northern Ireland	10	3	4	3	11	10
23 Mexico	24	3	4	17	21	62
24 Belgium	14	3	2	9	15	30
25 GDR	6	2	2	2	5	6
26 Paraguay	7	2	2	3	12	19
27 USA	7	3	0	4	12	21
28 Wales	5	1	3	1	4	5
29 Romania	8	2	1	5	12	17
30 Algeria	3	2	0	1	5	4
31 Bulgaria	12	0	4	8	9	29
32 Tunisia	3	1	1	1	3	3
33 Cameroon	3	0	3	0	1	1
34 Cuba	3	1	1	1	5	12
35 Korea DPR	4	1	1	2	5	9
36 Turkey	3	1	0	2	10	11
37 Honduras	3	0	2	1	2	3
38 Israel	3	1	0	2	1	3
39 Kuwait	3	0	1	2	2	6
40 Morocco	3	0	1	2	2	6
41 Australia	3	0	1	2	0	5
42 Colombia	3	0	1	2	5	11
43 Iran	3	0	1	2	2	8
44 Norway	1	0	0	1	1	2
45 Egypt	1	0	0	1	2	4
46 Netherlands Antilles	1	0	0	1	0	5
47 Korea Republic	2	0	0	2	0	16
48 New Zealand	3	0	0	3	2	12
49 Haiti	3	0	0	3	2	14
50 Zaire	3	0	0	3	0	14
51 Bolivia	3	0	0	3	0	16
52 El Salvador	6	0	0	5	1	22

Giant Jennings, fearsome Whiteside

ROBERT WOODWARD

They could not be more different, the two record-breakers who are the mainstays of Northern Ireland's World Cup campaign.

Goalkeeper Pat Jennings, the epitome of the gentle giant, is a 40-year-old for whom soccer is now something of a pastime. The finds in Mexico offer a pleasant way to spend the summer.

Jennings is the most-capped player in history, having beaten the record of 115 internationals he shared with Sweden's Bjorn Nordqvist.

While Jennings gives the impression records do not mean that much to him, for example Northern Whiteside they are battle honors to be worn with pride on the field.

The Manchester United youngster was not even born when Jennings made his international debut and it was Whiteside's youth in Spain in 1982 which put his name in the record books, erasing Pele.

squad by the time he made his United debut shortly before the 1982 finals.

In those days Whiteside was an out-and-out striker in and out of the United side. But an injury to England captain Bryan Robson forced United manager Ron Atkinson to send Whiteside on as a makeshift substitute and a promising player suddenly turned into a potential world-beater.

Whiteside's skills have never been in doubt since the former lumberjack travelled from Newry to join Watford, then an undistinguished Third Division club.

He quickly moved to Tottenham and then to Arsenal, playing over 1,000 league games, a record for England.

Jennings' role of honor for Northern Ireland was no less impressive. He made his debut with Best in 1964 and over the past 22 years has prevented the opposition scoring in 43 out of his 115 internationals.

At the age of 12, Whiteside was spotted by the Manchester United coach who first pinpointed the budding skills of George Best.

When he was 14 the tall teenager was flying to Manchester every weekend to play for the United youth side.

But Northern Ireland was first to involve Whiteside in a first team set-up, and he had been a regular member of his country's

Superstar wages: Maradona \$4 mil., Boniek \$2.7 mil.

Far more than a soccer crown is riding on the outcome of the 1986 World Cup tournament. Huge fortunes will be made by players who soar above the rank and file in Mexico.

Players earn hefty cash bonuses as their teams advance through the rounds, and members of the winning side can expect to collect tens of thousands of dollars.

But the really big money comes after the tournament — in personal endorsements and club contracts for a handful of players who reach superstar status at the Cup.

Palo Rossi, the Italian striker who topped the 1982 scoring lists with six goals and pushed Italy to its third title, is a typical benefactor of World Cup publicity.

In the 1982-1983 season, Rossi was estimated to have earned over \$US1.5 million (currently \$A2.08 million) in personal endorsements and through his contract with Juventus of Turin.

This was about three times the money he would have made without his stardom in the Cup.

And although he has done virtually nothing worth mentioning since 1982, he is still

one of the highest-paid soccer stars in the world.

Juventus lured two more World Cup stars in Spain Michel Platini of France and Zbigniew Boniek of Poland.

Now both earn more than Rossi with contracts bringing each more than \$US2 million (\$A2.77 million) a year.

Diego Maradona, 25, played for two years for Barcelona before going to Napoli where he

became the idol of the hot-blooded Neapolitan crowd.

Because of his presence, the Naples club has sold out in advance for the entire season almost 60,000 of the 70,000 seats for every match in the San Paolo Stadium.

With an income reportedly topping \$US3 million (\$A4.16 million) annually, Maradona is believed to be the highest-paid soccer player in the world.



● MEXICO, from left, standing: Munoz, Espana, Larios, Tomas Boy, Cruz, Manzo. Front: Aguirre, Negrete, Chavez, Amador, Flores. Missing: Hugo Sanchez.

DID ZICO PAY \$1.6 MIL. FINE?

Thoughts of tax evasion will be far from Zico's mind as he tries to spearhead Brazil to the one honor that has eluded him throughout his fabulous career — a World Cup winner's medal.

Zico has been recognized as a world-class player for the past decade. His biggest problem, until last year, was a tax evasion charge.

Zico and Udinese parted. He returned to Brazil amid rumors that the charges against him may lead to a ban by F.I.F.A. Zico's career could have been over.

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found no one would pass to him and it was five minutes before he managed to gain possession in midfield.

He decided to go it alone and after dribbling past three defenders, he slipped the ball between the goalkeeper's legs into the net.

703 goals

"When I received the ball, I was too far from the net," Zico recalls. 19 years and 703 professional goals later, Zico feels he has tried a combination with another player he would probably fall to pass me the ball back. So I decided to do it all by myself. It worked."

Zico scored two more goals, created another and his team won 4-2.

Flamengo was signed a player, who was to become the club's record goalscorer and one of soccer's outstanding performers.

Zico is philosophical about never having won a World Cup winner's medal.

He is determined on the circumstances, winning a junior league title is just as important as conquering the World Cup. If I never win a World Cup, I will still remain a champion," he said recently.

For the past eight years he has had to contend with a succession of injuries.

His problems started in the 1979-1980 season in Argentina when he pulled a leg muscle in Brazil's match with Poland. Brazil won 3-1 but Zico took no further part in the tournament.

A year later he pulled the same muscle again and was out of action for 10 weeks.

When he moved to Italy to play for Juventus in 1982 he suffered another setback when more injuries cropped up and he rejoined Flamengo in August last year.

In his third game back for Flamengo he was the victim of a vicious foul and was result needed surgery on his left knee.

"The difference is that when you think only of playing the ball these days you're in trouble," Zico says.

"Some opponents have adapted to grabbing and holding you from behind without hardly any punishment or interference from the referee. No wonder fans are disappearing from the stadiums."

At last on the pitch, Zico

World Cup top scorers

Gerd Muller	(Germany FR)	1970-1974	14
Just Fontaine	(France)	1958	13
Pele	(Brazil)	1958-1970	12
Sandor Kocsis	(Hungary)	1954	11
Helmut Rahn	(Germany FR)	1954-1958	10
Ademir	(Brazil)	1950	9
Vava	(Brazil)	1958-1962	9
Uwe Seeler	(Germany FR)	1958-1970	9
Eusebio	(Portugal)	1966	9
Jairzinho	(Brazil)	1970-1974	9
Paolo Rossi	(Italy)	1978-1982	9
Guillermo Stabile	(Argentina)	1930	8
Leonidas	(Brazil)	1934-1938	8
Karl-Heinz Rummenigge	(Germany FR)	1978-1982	8
Juan-Alberto Schiaffino	(Uruguay)	1950-1954	7
Hans Schaefer	(Germany FR)	1954-1958	7
Lajos Tichy	(Hungary)	1974	7
Grzegorz Lato	(Poland)	1958-1962	7
Oldrich Nejedly	(Czechoslovakia)	1934-1938	6
Josef Hug	(Switzerland)	1954	6
Max Morlock	(Germany FR)	1954	6
Erich Probst	(Austria)	1954	6
Valentin Ivanov	(USSR)	1958-1962	6
Helmut Haller	(Germany FR)	1962-1970	6
Rivelino	(Brazil)	1970-1974	6
Mario Kempes	(Argentina)	1978	6
Rob Rensenbrink*	(Netherlands)	1974-1978	6

Olsen: World's Best?

Denmark's Morten Olsen is reputed to be the finest sweeper in the world.

Born on August 14, 1949, in the coastal town of Vordingborg, 100 miles from Copenhagen, Olsen plays for Anderlecht in Belgium, he stands 5ft. 11ins.

He began his career with local club Vordingborg and was signed by first division B 1901 Nykobing as an outside-right.

He made his senior international debut against Norway in September 1970 and played as an amateur in the 1972 Olympic Games which Denmark reached the second round in Munich. Olsen then moved into professional football with the Belgian club, Cercle Bruges, and played in every position except goalkeeper.

In 1976 he joined RWD Molenbeek and spent three years there before switching across Brussels to

Olsen was now a midfielder but switched to sweeper on being suggested by Yugoslav coach Tomislav Lovric after losing his midfield place. A serious leg injury which threatened to end his career

Won the UEFA Cup with Anderlecht in 1983 and scored against Tottenham in the 1984 final which Anderlecht lost on penalties.

Voted 1983 Footballer of the Year in Denmark.

Olsen is a sports goods shop in Vordingborg and intends to return to Denmark after the World Cup for he is also being lined up for a job as assistant to national manager Sepp Piontek.

Eusebio in 1966, Gomes in 1986

That Portugal is in Mexico at all is the miracle of the qualifying tournament worldwide.

The Portuguese clinched a last-gasp place by sending West Germany to a first-ever World Cup qualifier defeat thanks to a 25-metre drive from Carlos Manuel.

Back home that same October night, one old man died in front of his television set as he watched the drama unfolding.

The results produced no cause for optimism — a 1-1 draw with Finland, a 2-0 win over Luxembourg and then a 3-1 defeat by East Germany, that last game as far back as last February.

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and captain Manuel Fernandes who finished the country's top league scorer with 30 goals in the season just completed.

Player and manager have had their differences and, anyway, Fernandes' age would have been against him in Mexico.

Such were the heats of scheduling of Porto, Benfica and Sporting and Sporting that the Portuguese have gone to Mexico with little preparation. They played three friendlies at home, and never with a full strength side since qualifying.

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MEXICO 86

Leonidas barefoot, Pele stars at 17

It remains to be seen whether the 1986 World Cup finals will be remembered for the quality of the football but the tournament promises to be the biggest sports extravaganza ever mounted.

An estimated television audience of 10 billion — more than twice the world population — will sit through the first 51 games and over one billion will tune into the final on June 29.

The worldwide interest is in stark contrast with the early days of the World Cup which was the brainchild of Frenchman Jules Rimet, president of FIFA from 1920-54 and after whom the original trophy was named.

That solid gold Jules Rimet Cup is now the property of Brazil, winner in 1958-62, and the 24 1986 finalists are competing for what is simply called the FIFA World Cup, currently in the possession of Italy.

Hopefully, the likes of Maradona, Platini and Zico will provide moments to treasure because the previous 12 finals are rich in the folklore of football.

URUGUAY 1930

Just 13 countries decided to enter the inaugural tournament, which was eventually won by the host nation.

The four Europeans — Belgium, Romania, Yugoslavia and France — travelled to South America on the same ship — the journey took two weeks — and courageously called into Rio de Janeiro to pick up the Brazilians.

On Sunday July 13, France and Mexico had the honor of staging the first-ever World Cup tie, the French winning 4-1.

But it was the final on July 30 between Uruguay and near-neighbors Argentina which assured the World Cup of an honored place on the sports calendar.

Although 10 special boats sailed from Buenos Aires for the final, only eight docked in Montevideo in time for the game. The rest were delayed by fog.

Inside the stadium, the 90,000 frenzied fans who had secured tickets created a cauldron of noise with their firecrackers and rockets and the atmosphere intensified when both finalists insisted on using their own match ball.

Brazilian referee John Langenus settled the issue by walking on to the pitch carrying a ball under each arm.

Argentina won the toss for the choice of ball in the first half and Uruguay won the cup, designed by French sculptor Abel Lafeuvre, with a deserved 4-2 victory after trailing 2-1 at the interval.

The Uruguayan embassy in Buenos Aires was stood on the following day ... but the World Cup was here to stay.

ITALY 1934

For the only time, the holder refused to defend the trophy and the host again triumphed in a 17-nation knockout tournament, much to the delight of Benito Mussolini.

The now-accepted format of first-phase groups has its critics but Argentina and Brazil were extremely disenchanted after travelling 13,000 km for one game.

Argentina was beaten 3-2 by Sweden while Brazil lost 3-1 to Spain in the first round. Mexico did not even make it into the competition proper — it was beaten by the United States in a playoff for the 16th place in the draw.

Italy and Czechoslovakia met in the final in front of a crowd of 55,000 in Rome and the Czechoslovaks led 1-0 until eight minutes from time.

Then Italian forward Orsi — one of three Argentines in the side — equalised with a freakish lob which curled over the head of goalkeeper Planicka and Schiavio scored again in extra time to give Italy the first of its three titles.

The next day, Orsi tried to repeat his effort for the benefit of photographers — but gave up after 20 attempts.

FRANCE 1938

Italy silenced the critics who said it would not have won four years earlier if it had

played on foreign soil, though politics kept away a number of top nations.

Austria qualified but withdrew — though some of its players appeared in the colors of Germany — Spain was ravaged by civil war, Argentina pulled out when it failed to beat the hosts and Uruguay again stayed away.

Brazil and Poland combined to produce one of the all-time great World Cup ties in Strasbourg, the South Americans winning 6-5 after extra-time thanks to four goals from striker Leonidas — who played barefoot for a spell.

Colauza and Plola scored two goals apiece as Italy beat Hungary 4-2 in the final in Paris and the trophy would remain in Europe for 12 years.

At the outbreak of World War II, Jules Rimet reclaimed the cup from the Italian FA and it remained under his bed until peace returned to Europe.

BRAZIL 1950

Against all the odds, Uruguay became champion for the second time when it beat the host in what is remembered as "The final which was not a final".

There were other talking points ... the United States, whose only ambition was to avoid "a cricket score", beat England 1-0 in Belo Horizonte ... and Sweden's amateurs beat Italy 3-2 in Sao Paulo. Eight of the Swedes promptly found themselves playing in the Italian first division the following season.

But it was the unusual format which provided the controversy.

Uruguay, Brazil, Sweden and Spain qualified to meet in a mini-league play-off and the hosts, with the devastating front three of Zizinho, Ademir and Jair, started brilliantly by beating the two Europeans 7-1 and 6-1 respectively.

Brazil needed only a draw against Uruguay to collect the trophy for the first time but its attack-minded side left gaping holes in defence and the Uruguayans won 2-1 to join Italy as double winners.

SWITZERLAND 1954

If Uruguay's success was unexpected, West Germany's triumph was a sensation.

Hungary arrived in Switzerland with one of the most dazzling line-ups ever assembled, including Puskas, Bezdek, Kocsis and Hidegkuti.

The Hungarians were reigning Olympic champions, were unbeaten in their last 28 internationals and had humiliated England 6-3 at Wembley and 7-1 in Budapest.

Everything went according to the script at the start of the tournament. Korea was annihilated 9-0 and West Germany was dispatched 8-3 in the first phase group matches.

But the first hint that all was not well in the Hungarian camp arose in the quarter-finals when the usually well-disciplined Hungarians became involved in the infamous "Battle of Berne" with Brazil.

Boszki and Brazilians Nilton Santos and Tozzi were sent off during disgraceful scenes on the pitch and the fighting continued in the dressing rooms after the final whistle.

Despite its earlier humiliation, West Germany recovered its composure to join Hungary in the final in Berne, although the Germans must have felt a sense of déjà vu when Puskas and Csibor scored within the first seven minutes.

But in an astonishing turnaround, West Germany went on to win 3-2, winger Helmut Rahn emerging as the hero of the hour with two goals.

SWEDEN 1958

Brazil finally won the trophy and gave the world its first glimpse of a 17-year-old phenomenon called Pele.

He burst into the headlines when he scored the only goal against Wales in the quarter-finals, collected a hat-trick in the 5-2 defeat of France in the next round, and added two more against Sweden in the final — which also ended 5-2.

Brazil's triumph was salt in the wounds of Argentine fans, however, and thousands turned up at Buenos Aires airport to yell their team with rotten tomatoes, fruit and stones following heavy defeats against West Germany and Czechoslovakia.

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With all the hoop-ho over the heat and the altitude in Mexico, and the obscenity of 35 of the 52 matches kicking off at high noon, I can see political mileage being gained by some here in Australia.

You watch! Back will come words of wisdom from some of our correspondents in Mexico that, there you are, look how the players are suffering, look at the tonnes of weight this Englishman and that Scotsman has lost under the torturous heat. And, shame upon shame, some people in Australia still fancy playing soccer in the summer. Boo hoo, boo hoo, boo hoo. Let me head them off, if such boring rhetoric

hasn't been fed to you already, that World Cup soccer in Mexico, in the noon-day sun and up to 2,680 metres above sea level, has nothing whatever to do with the "summer soccer" idea as mooted in Australia. (And I loathe to bore you by pointing out the differences except to say that, in a nutshell, the Australian proposal calls for matches at night, when the average temperature is below 25 degrees, with a mid-summer break to the test week.)

Ironically, I believe by the end of this World Cup month, perhaps the opposite will have been proven: that the heat will generate better, more palatable football, as it did in 1970. The game will become slower, skill will become crucial and the ball will do most of the work.

I was interested to hear of the comments made by APIA's recent Polish import Janusz Baran

when asked of his views on Australian soccer.

He said it is being played super-fast but the ball remains super-slow, which means players work their butts off, doing everything at a million miles an hour, but lack the skill to make an accurate pass.

So what we have is a mad rush where the game appears to be played fast but in fact it takes ages for the ball to be played from one end of the field to the other.

And the shortage of skill is not the only culprit. The very speed at which everything is done, the tackling as well as the passing, is the main suffocating factor.

It all adds up to a 90-minute maze where the attacker has no time to pass so he makes error after error, and the defender has no time to tackle so he fouls. That was the reason for

WEST GERMANY 1974

The West Germans followed the path of Uruguay (1930), Italy (1934) and England (1966) by taking full advantage of playing on home soil to collect the new FIFA World Cup.

With Brazil a cruel caricature of its 1970 team, the Netherlands assumed the role of entertainers and if Pele was no longer around to delight the eye, there was Johan Cruyff.

That "European Brazilians" failed in the final, was due almost entirely to the incomparable Gerd Muller.

The Dutch had been in thrilling form throughout the tournament, particularly in their 4-0 and 2-0 defeats of Argentina and Brazil, and they began the final in dazzling form.

Just three minutes into the game, Cruyff set off on a mesmerising solo run and when he was pulled down, Johan Neeskens coolly netted from the penalty spot.

For the next 30 minutes, the Dutchmen were the complete masters as the West Germans tried to cope with their flying and inventive football.

Ironically, the goal came at the other end. Paul Breitner was felled in the box as he headed in on goal and the second penalty of the match put the West Germans level.

Two minutes before the interval, Mueller, "Der Bomber", struck a typical goal from close in — his 6th and most important in internationals.

ARGENTINA 1978

A wave of national hysteria carried Argentina to triumph, though for the second successive time the Netherlands were arguably the best team in the tournament despite the absence of Cruyff.

Argentina, outplayed by Italy in a first phase group match which it lost 6-1, squeezed into the final on goal difference at the expense of Brazil thanks to a 6-0 victory over the inept Peruvians.

But the Argentinians did have outstanding players in Mario Kempes, Daniel Passarella and Osvaldo Ardiles.

Before the kickoff to the final Argentine captain Passarella objected to a light plaster Dutch mid-fielder Rene van der Kerkhof was wearing on his hand to protect an injured bone.

After a long harangue, Italian referee Sergio Gonella finally persuaded van der Kerkhof to remove the "offending" plaster and the game got underway 30 minutes late.

Kempes shot Argentina ahead but the Dutch gradually took control and Dick Nenenga duly equalised.

Argentina found new heights in extra-time, however, and Kempes and Daniel Bertoni earned a 3-1 victory.

SPAIN 1982

After becoming "born-again adventurers" in mid-tournament, Italy scored an unexpected third success and this time the world wept with Brazil.

With Zico Socrates and Falcao choreographing a soccer ballet in every game, the Brazilians went into their final group game against Italy needing only a draw to reach the final.

Instead, it was the rejuvenated Italians who ran out 3-2 winners with Paolo Rossi netting a hat-trick. Without doubt Italy deserved to win that game, but Brazil deserved the World Cup.

Italy's final opponent in Madrid was West Germany, which had made an unsatisfactory journey through the first two phases.

A cynical 1-0 goal win over Austria in the first round allowed both teams to go through on goal difference and it took a nerve-tingling penalty shootout to dispose of France in a wonderful game in Seville — marred only by a horrific foul on Patrick Batiston by West German goalkeeper Toni Schumacher.

Justice was done, however, when Rossi, Marco Tardelli and Alessandro Altobelli made Breitner's reply for West Germany meaningless.

Sublime soccer in the summer



MILES MURRAY

they play their games and, boy oh boy, we could even get decent soccer in there.

Marketing

Marketing is another thing, on the topic of making soccer more saleable, that has been discussed ad nauseum in these pages and others.

But it is true that the promotional ingredient, with some clubs anyway, has fallen away distressingly.

But the club at the other end, the lower end, must be St George. Dusty, which is a little surprising given the promotion-conscious coach they have in Frank Ark.

I remember, with affection, some of Budapest's attempts to win clubs decades ago. They would not only enter the field in an orderly, picturesquely line and take a bow in the centre circle, but on many occasions — and even at away games — once having taken their centre-field bow, the players would disperse around the field throwing bouquets of carnations and kicking complimentary soccer balls into the crowd.

I remember catching one of those bouquets before one game and, as a kid, treasuring it for weeks wishing against hope that the flowers would never wilt. So it was said to watch the Saints players, before a recent game, strolling on to the field like a herd of cattle. No bows, no flowers and . . . no balls.

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Footscray samba to triumph, Brown and Dick to move

By LAURIE SCHWAB

Footscray J.U.S.T. and Wollongong, the leaders of the Southern and Northern NSL Divisions, defend their lofty positions against Brunswick-Juventus and Sydney Olympic while Melbourne Croatia plays its first match under new coach Terry Hennessy.

Doug Brown, NSL top scorer in 1983 and 1984, is expected to be on Croatica's forward line. He agreed terms late last week and was finalising his transfer from SM-Hellas as we went to Press.

J.U.S.T. has a full squad from which to choose at Schinelle Reserve on Sunday as Vlatko Bolic has recovered from injury, and Vojislav Vukcevic, the sweeper, is back after suspension. What's more, J.U.S.T. was hoping to sign another defender, Steve Dimovski, from State League club Western Suburbs. Dimovski is a former J.U.S.T. junior.

J.U.S.T. has been by far the most entertaining, skillful and artistic team in Australia so far this year, and it has complemented its qualities with physical courage and hair-trigger sharpness.

But Melbourne Croatia also delighted the masses with its pre-season form, only to stomp disastrously when the going got tough. J.U.S.T. coach Dragoslav Sekularac experienced the toughest opposition possible during his reign as one of the world's finest footballers, so he knows that success walks hand-in-hand with failure. Only a top-class performance can ward off the challenge of Juventus, which after all, is the reigning Australian champion.

Whether J.U.S.T. can produce its fair against the Juventus stars remains to be seen. Juventus keeps it tight and plays a percentage game, but J.U.S.T. probably will be faster to the ball and a bit cleverer.

While the Brazilian-style samba approach has been J.U.S.T.'s passport to glory this season, Wollongong has climbed up the ladder with the more dour qualities of organisation, marking, closing down.

Sydney Olympic has players of great flair in Chris Kalantzi and although he's been out of form, Marshall Soper, But neither has the majesty of Olympic's Vicente Estavillo and Wollongong's Saul Rivero, whose midfield confrontation will be the highlight of the match on Monday I believe it will be a draw.

Hennessy, the 1983 US Coach of the Year and former captain of Wales, Nottingham Forest and Derby County, re-



• Vojislav Vukcevic

also wants to sign Carl Halford of Hellas.

Meanwhile, Sydney Croatia president Tony Basic has strongly denied rumors that Luka Bonacic and Davor Todorovic of Melbourne Croatia may be moving to Sydney. "I don't even want to talk about them and I don't think they even fit into our team," Basic said. "If we wanted them, we could have got them."

"I've told the players that I'm not interested in whether they're British or Croatian. I'm only interested in their performance and their pride in the club. If they don't perform, they'll go." It's as simple as that," he said.

"Croatia has too many players who are similar in nature and ability. I'm looking for a bit of bite and ball-winning ability in midfield."

Ironically, former coach Miron Bleiberg was saying the same thing from the start of the season until he finally resigned in frustration.

Doug Brown, on the transfer list at Hellas for about six weeks, said this week:

"Len McKendry told me last year the committee wanted to get rid of me and the committee told me that McKendry wanted to get rid of me. Who do you listen to?"

"John Margaritis gave me a chance and I scored quite a few goals — eight or nine I think — in friendlies, but once we were beaten by Footscray, I read in the papers that me and Arthur Xanthopoulos were finished. I asked John Margaritis why he had told me and he said it was the board's secret trial. Then the committee told me that although I wasn't on the transfer list, I was free to talk to anyone I wanted to."

"I played only one game in the Hellas youths because after that match the coach rang up and told me that some fathers were annoyed because I was taking the place of one of the younger lads so he couldn't pick me any more."

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NANDA NATIONAL CUP

Heidelberg heading for Cup?

HEIDELBERG-ALEX-ANDER 3 (Tsolakis 9th & 80th, Selemidis 60th)
BLACKTOWN CITY 3 (Thornthwaite 26th & 28th, Slater 87th), Heidelberg won on penalties 3-1. Penalty scorers, Heidelberg: Kanesoulis, Valentine, Selemidis; Blacktown: Bradley. Nanda National Cup quarter-final at Olympic Park. Crowd: about 1200. Referee: Jim Rossis, 9.

HEIDELBERG: Oliver 10 — McKie 8, Angels (inj. sub Metaxas 5, 14th min); Hunter, 9, Kotsopoulos 7, Tsolakis 9, Selemidis 8, Kanesoulis 7, Valentine 5, Tsolakis 8 — Deligiannis 6 (inj. sub Pappas 30th), Wilson 7. Coach: Brian Gatt.

BLACKTOWN: Curtis 7 — Willis 7, Ainsworth 8, MacLeod 7, Knights 7 — Bradley 5, Byrnes 5, Ellem 5 (Sandy 6, 60th) — Slater 9, Carroll 5, Thornthwaite 7. Coach: Casey DeBruin.

Socceroo goalkeeper Jeff Oliver has given Heidelberg a chance to make it fourth time lucky in the National League's premier knockout Cup.

Heidelberg has lost three previous cup finals to Marconi, APIA and Sydney Olympic.

Oliver gave a sensational performance during a penalties showdown after the teams were locked at 3-3 at the end of normal time when he saved Blacktown's first three attempts by Jeff Ainsworth, Joe Carroll and Peter Willis.

Meanwhile, John Kanesoulis and Mike Valentine converted for Heidelberg, leaving defender Alan Hunter to win the match for Heidelberg with the next shot.

Hunter however hit the post, John Bradley scored with Blacktown's next attempt and



Laurie Schwab

Man of the match:

JEFF OLIVER
(H'berg-Alex)

It was up to Heidelberg captain Tsioi Selemidis to match the winner with the next penalty.

The smallest player on the field, Peter Teotakis, shot Heidelberg into the lead with a lob that went in just under the crossbar in the 11th minute.

Oliver made two spectacular one-handed saves to stop scoring attempts by Carroll and Bradley before Brett Thornthwaite equalised for Blacktown, putting the finishing touch to a low drive from Ainsworth, following a corner in the 26th minute.

Ten minutes later, Carroll sent an inspired pass to unmarked Robbie Slater whose cross was headed home by Thornthwaite to give Blacktown a 2-1 lead.

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On the hour, Selemidis, who has determined to make the 1986 Cup more successful for the club he has served for 10 seasons slid into a header from Paul Wilson and steered the ball into the net for the equaliser.

With 10 minutes to go, Tsolakis latched onto a defensive clearance and rammed the ball past Curtis to put Heidelberg into the lead.

Blacktown, which had been subdued for most of the second half, surged forward in

the 87th minute. Steve Knight took a throw-in which was headed on by defender Don MacLeod for Slater to score on the volley, forcing the match into extra time.

Heidelberg lost its stopper, Joe Angelo, after only 14 minutes due to injury. John Metaxas came in at right midfield, and Selemidis moved from midfield to the sweeper's position. Selemidis did some sterling work, covering Hunter and jockeying opponents in crucial one-on-one situations, using his experience to avoid trouble.

Forward Nick Deligiannis, who had done quite a lot of running without reward, had to be replaced by Con Pappas at the end of fulltime. He had just collided heavily with goalkeeper Curtis, who also needed treatment.

Wilson, in his only second game for Heidelberg, was a reliable target man, and deserves much of the credit for the 60th minute goal which was tacked away by Selemidis. With more support, Wilson could have been a match-winner.

Robbie Slater was Blacktown's most impressive player — fast, sharp, powerful, ready to pounce on anything that came his way. He set up a goal for Metaxas.

Ian McKie had to clear off Heidelberg's goal line in the 66th minute, making up for a back-pass that was too short, and was intercepted by Thornthwaite. A ricochet of Oliver followed, but there was McKie to clear.

Metaxas missed an open goal in the 85th minute, after Curtis had come out to punch the ball away over Wilson, and in extra time, Blacktown's Don MacLeod, playing against his former club, cleared off the line after Hunter had challenged Curtis in the air. Then Chris Ketsakidis made a desperate clearance for Heidelberg to alleviate danger created by Slater and MacLeod.



• Peter Tsolakis (right) who scored two of Heidelberg's goals, gets the better of his opponent, John Bradley — yet again! Picture: LES SHORROCK.

Man of the match:
ALAN SCOTT
(Adel. Hellas)

ADELAIDE HELLAS
2 (Honeyman 31st, Konstandopoulos 85th) **CROYDON CITY**
1 (Humble 14th). Nanda National Cup match at Hindmarsh Stadium. Crowd: 3,000. Referee: Stuart Mellings 8.

ADELAIDE HELLAS: M. Crook 8 — T. Brown 8, Yannos 7, Dunn 8, Scott 8 — Honeyman 7, Hristodoulou 7, Honeyman 7, Konstandopoulos 7, Papadopoulos 7. Coach: Edmund Kretz.

CROYDON CITY: Blasby 8 — M. Brown 8, Honeyman 8, O'Reilly 7, Beech 7 — McDonald 6, MacLean 7, Livingstone 8 — Humble 8, French 6, Brogan 7. Coach: Peter Anderson.

Nanda Cup giant killer Croydon City returned to Melbourne with heads held high de-

spite its failure to add the scalp of Adelaide Hellas to those of Green Gully and South Melbourne.

Croydon coach Peter Oerton approached this cup with the ideal attitude. "We have nothing to lose, because nobody expects us to win," he said.

And it was that devil-may-care attitude that brought joy to the spectators in the form of fast, all-action football.

City made its intentions clear from the kick-off as it forced two corners in as many minutes and Hellas was shocked when Andy Humble put the visitors in front in the 14th minute as he lashed onto a finely weighted left-footer from Alex Livingstone to beat Martyn Crook in the Hellas goal.

John Panagis, Gary Price and Steve Papadopoulos worked hard to compensate for the loss of cup-led Gary Ward. Their efforts were rewarded in the 31st minute as Captain Graham Honeyman scored from a goalmouth scrum after Alan Scott had floated in a free kick.

This time he gathered a ball which Blasby partially cleared to pivot on the edge of the box and scoop the ball high into the net.

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Soviet tour

A Soviet team will tour Fiji, New Zealand and Papua New Guinea early next year. Fiji football association secretary Jitendra Maharaj said on Monday.

He said the Fiji government had granted permission for the Minsk Dynamo club to play two matches in Suva.

The Fiji visit would follow Dynamo matches in New Zealand and Papua New Guinea.

"The Russians may also be negotiating with the Australian Soccer Federation," he added.

The players may include guests from the two other "Dynamo" clubs in the Soviet Union.

WELL DONE CROYDON

Allan Crisp



Croydon's best chance to regain its earlier advantage came in the 64th minute when David Brogan hit the crossbar with a left foot drive off a Jim Tansey free kick.

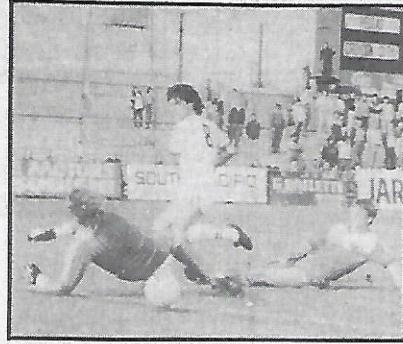
With extra-time looming, George Konstandopoulos produced the spark of genius which shoved Hellas into the semi-finals of the rick knock-out Cup.

Konstandopoulos has scored similar goals in the past. One notable one was against Adelaide City Juniors.

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• Andy Humble of Croydon slips the ball past Adelaide Hellas goalkeeper Martyn Crook after having evaded Allan Scott (right). Picture: FRANK HOBBS

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Ricky Rosso

Man of the match:
JOHN OGDEN
(Queensland)

thorough and consistent self as sweeper but his appeal in national terms obviously is as the man to fill the long-vacant rightback spot.

While the Queenslanders shone, a few NSW players were found wanting. The midfield of Raskopoulos, Tredinnick and Arnold was abysmal. Arnold showed the only penetration and there was not a player among the three willing to match the Queenslanders' work-rate.

Faria disappeared for much of the game, Kosmina got service and Gomez was hesitant when under pressure.

Queensland started the match with nine Lions players in the 4-4-2 formation.

It was Stowell's plan to attack NSW in its own defensive third. He had drilled his players to put pressure on the NSW backline so as to stop it feeding the ball up.

Queensland had no less than five good scoring opportunities in the first 20 minutes. Sadly, Danny Wright, who had been in such good touch of late, lost his compass and shot wide.

It could well have cost him a Socceroo chance, as Eddie Thomson, in Brisbane to scout on Frank Arrok's behalf, highlighted

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"I liked the boy Ogden; he went very well," Thomson said. And of Jackson he replied: "We would lose nothing by having a look at him."

Although the Stewart brothers are, along with Wright, part of the Melbourne Socceroo Training Camp, their tenure in the national squad could be limited.

"We have had John and Russell Stewart pushed down our throats by Queensland, so we have given them a go. While they are good club players and played well for Queensland, they are lacking that something extra needed for national players.

"They certainly aren't any better than what we have now."

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ALTONA GATE VARDAR

Mitrevski of Pelister agrees terms

Victorian First Division outfit Altona Gate Vardar has agreed terms with 28 year old defender Vasco Mitrevski from Pelister in Yugoslavia.

Altona Gate Vardar is approaching Australian immigration department authorities this week to arrange a visa for the former Vardar Skopje player, who certainly would boost Altona Gate Vardar's championship hopes.

"We're definitely aiming at playing in State League next year," said club president George Kolevski. His company GK Blue Star Motors, is Altona Gate Vardar's major sponsor. Previously, it was the major sponsor of National League outfit Preston Makedonia.

"The committee is working better than ever before and our coach, Eddie Reid, is doing a tremendous job. In just a short time, Eddie has earned the respect of everyone connected with the club and we are very confident of success with him in charge. He's been a



• Jim Williams



• David Beattie



• Dave Gibson

real asset to our club," Kolevski added.

The club made three major signings this year — Dale Gibson from Polonia, Jim Williams from Green Gully and David Beattie from Altona City. All three add both quality and experience to the side in its quest for the championship.

The club's origins date back to the 1860s when it was known as Kingsville. In 1970 it amalgamated with Central Altona and was called Central Altona Vardar. That changed to Altona Gate Vardar in 1978.

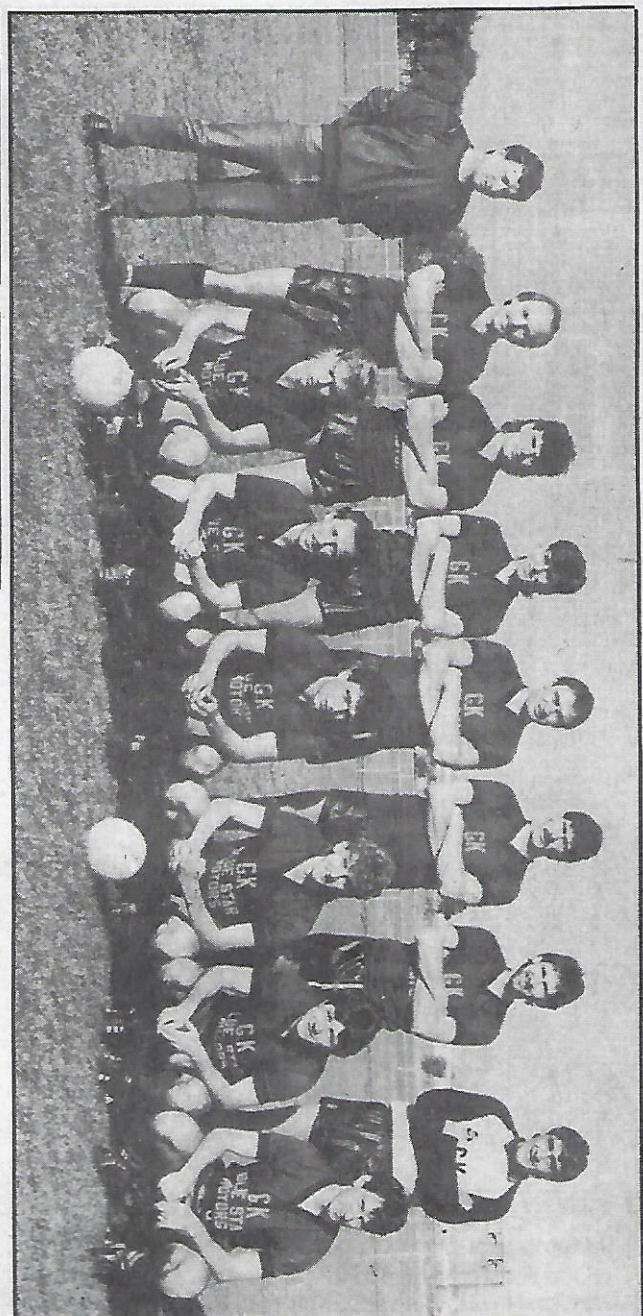
Two of the most promising players in Reid's first team squad are 19 year old Goran Georgievski and 20 year old Jim Kebakovski. They are products of Altona Gate Vardar's Juniors and the club hopes to base its success, at least in part, on continuing to develop young local talent.



• Goran Georgievski



• Jim Kebakovski



● Back row: Cane Zdravevski (team manager), Jim Williams (joined from Green Gully, 1986), Bill Romanovski (from the Juniors), Simon Micevski (from the Juniors), Chris Talevski (from the Juniors), David Beattie (from Altona City, 1986), Bob Gelevski (from Preston Makedonia, 1975), Chris Dimitrijevski (from Keilor Austria, 1979). Front row: Goran Georgievski (from the Juniors), Dave Gibson (from Polonia, 1986), Joice Servovski (from Williamstown, 1972), Jim Kebakovski (from the Juniors), Mendo Ristovski (from Juventus, 1982), Ljube Talevski (from Footscray JUST, 1983). Missing: Constantin Barbakos (from the Juniors), Jim Dervusovski (from the Juniors), Tom Blkicki (from Footscray JUST, 1984), Zlatko Veljanovski (from the Juniors).

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L'Italia ha esordito ai campionati mondiali di calcio come si prevedeva, e forse anche un tantino meglio se si guarda al di là del risultato conseguito contro la Bulgaria (1-1).

Come scrivevamo la settimana scorsa, liberi senso e la strategia di Bearzot. Dettavano un inizio in sordina senza scoprire tutte le carte e badando solo a qualificarsi per il turno successivo, anche se si dovesse ottenere la qualificazione grazie ad uno striminzito vantaggio nel quoziente reti.

Quindi fin qui ci siamo per quanto riguarda lo scopo immediato, ma il tantino in meglio e stato evidente dal modo come la "nuova" nazionale ha giostrato ed ha inserito le reazioni nell'asseme di squadra.

Per concludere il giovanissimo Di Natale risulta una grossa rivelazione anche perché credeva già in lui, tanto che viene già considerato come un primo attore del torneo.

De Gennaro ha confermato per eccesso tutto ciò che aveva fatto bilanciare nei suoi precedenti inserimenti in nazionale e sembra essere il regista e distributore del centrocampo che ogni squadra vorrebbe avere.

Anche Calderisi ha impressionato, soprattutto fino a che non e' entrato alla distanza avviamente risentendo più dei compagni di squadra l'effetto dell'aria rarefatta di Città del Messico.

Con tre esordienti ai mondiali che hanno passato così brillantemente l'esame del fuoco all'Atletica le sorti della nazionale azzurra sono certamente migliori rispetto alle indicazioni della vigilia.

E potrebbero addirittura sorpassare anche le piu' rosse speranze se gli "spagnoli" Altobelli, Cabrini e Scirea (utilizzati contro la Bulgaria) e Collovati, Tardelli e Rossi dovessero ritrovare la loro forma migliore.

Delle altre favorite il Brasile e la Francia sono state al di sotto delle aspettative nei loro

VIVA ITALIA!
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Buon debutto degli azzurri

primi impegni del torneo. I cari hanno superato la Spagna per 1-0 anche grazie ad una discutibile decisione dell'arbitro australiano Cambridge che non ha convolato quello che agli spagnoli era sembrato una rete sacrosanta a loro favore.

La Francia del grande Platini ha sudato più del previsto per battere il modestissimo Canada 1-0.

Il prossimo impegno dell'Italia e' contro l'Argentina nelle prime ore di venerdì prossimo 7 giugno (ora australiana). La partita sarà telemessa in diretta dal canale 28 con inizio alle 3.45 del mattino.

Calcio australiano

Sulla scena locale poco e' successo lo scorso weekend poiché il campionato di Lega Nazionale e' stato interrotto per permettere lo sviluppo dei quarti di finale della Coppa Nanda, che tra l'altro si protrarranno fino a questa sera con l'incontro fra il Brisbane City e il Sydney City.

Il Brisbane City e' l'ultima squadra italiana ancora rimasta nella competizione e deve sperare in un miracolo per passare l'estacolo e presentarsi alle semifinali.

La sosta in un certo senso e' un po' comuta quieto dopo la tappa per il campo domenica prossima e' in programma la grande battaglia per il predominio del girone meridionale

con l'incontro di cartellone JUST-Juventus (alla Shilliner Reserve).

Il JUST, ultimo in classifica l'anno scorso, e barcollante in tutti gli anni precedenti della Lega Nazionale, e' stato quest'anno "miracolato" dal grande Sekularac che ne ha assunto la guida tecnica portandosi con sé degli ottimi elementi dalla Jugoslavia.

Oltre ai risultati, il JUST ha creato una grande fama per il suo gioco fluido e tecnico ed e' stata addirittura definita la "piu' bella squadra mai vista in Australia".

Da parte nostra, pur credendo alla magia di Sekularac e ai meriti del nuovo stile di gioco del JUST, pensiamo che la Juventus abbia tutte le carte in regola per ridimensionare la squadra jugoslava.

Con tutto il virtuosismo possibile, non vediamo come i punti tecnici e brillanti avanti "play" e "end play" possano trarre la solida difesa bianconera (specialmente se Banovic e' fra i palli dopo l'incidente capitato due settimane fa contro il Heidelberg). D'altra parte la Juve (probabile rientro di Zinzi) hanno scardinato altre squadre abbastanza solide e non si faranno annuire facilmente da nessuno.

Comunque andra' a finire la partita, questa e' sicuramente la prova della verita' piu' attendibile di questo scor-

cio di campionato poiche' JUST e Juventus sono già emerse, per motivi e con stili diversi magari, come i battistrada del girone e come le piu' qualificate contendenti al successo finale. Sarà sicuramente una partita da non perdere.

Nel girone settentrionale fa spicco il derby Marconi-Apia che appare molto incerto a causa degli alti e bassi messi in mostra da entrambe le squadre, anche se i Marconi puo' vantare una migliore posizione in classifica.

Nella Lega Statale II Fawkner ha osservato un turno di riposo poiche' il suo avversario, Croydon, era impegnato nella Coppa Nanda. Gli Azzurri sono stati cosi' comodamente a guardare le dirette avversarie sbarazzarsi fra loro, risultato piu' favorevole al Croydon che ha la divisione di punti fra Frankston e St Albans, ma anche il pareggio fra Springvale e Box Hill va a penna.

Infatti se il Fawkner avesse giocato, e vinto, troverebbe ora solo al comando della classifica a quota 17 con il St Albans sed una lunghezza e tutte le altre "grandi" distaccate di almeno due punti.

Il rinvio della partita, anche se ha tecnicamente privato il Fawkner della soddisfazione di conquistare il primato, va a favore della squadra di Graeffe che con il passare del tempo puo' ancora migliorare ed affrontare perciò il Croydon in condizioni piu' favorevoli.

Il Thomastown ha sorpreso facendosi battere in casa abbastanza netamente dal fiammillo di coda Ringwood.

Dean Hennessy e' in great form. Hes' been playing in a central defensive role due to the absence of injured Andy McMillan. What I liked about Hennessy against Springvale was the way he broke forward, particularly in the first half. Its so refreshing to see central defenders in State League with young Hennessy's skill on the ball.

Two clubs in tumulto — Polonia and Croydon — clash at Raleigh Reserve on Sunday and with Andy Humble, Graham French and Dave Brogan up front, Croydon should win.

Andy Czapinski's days at Polonia may be numbered. He was very upset after being taken off at halftime of Polonia's loss to Western Suburbs last weekend.

Croydon could be ready to sell some players (see story opposite page) and a club ready to snap up at least one is Caulfield which faces an uphill battle against title contender Fawkner at Smith Reserve on Sunday.

Caulfield's newcomers — Dave Brooks from Box Hill and Kenny Taylor from Croydon — made impressive debuts against Melbourne Hungaria last Saturday but Caulfield still is a couple of players short from being able to match strides with its rivals.

We've yet to see Caulfield striker Danny Zemunik turn in a poor display this season. He's got a huge heart and his tireless efforts up front, with little

Hillmen to fly high, McCarthy at Melbourne

By CRAIG MACKENZIE



Kenny Taylor — made an impressive debut with Caulfield

help mind you, deserve a pat on the back.

We'll know at about 5pm on Sunday whether or not Ringwood Wilhelmina's fine 2-0 win over Thomastown last weekend was just a flash in the pan.

Certainly, the victory must have done wonders for the confidence of the Wilhelmina players who will be expecting to make it two in a row against Northcote at Jubilee Park.

Northcote coach Frank McNamee had success by using five at the back, two stoppers, a sweeper and two fullbacks who are instructed to get forward at every opportunity. He'll have a stronger midfield this weekend thanks to Kenny Drakeford and it hasn't taken Bobby Toal long to prove his worth to the team.

Northcote is capable of grabbing the points but I'm banking on a spirited display from the home side and tipping a draw.

"I think we've turned the corner. We gave them (Dinamo) a football lesson as far as I'm concerned," said Frankston Pines coach Danny McNamee last weekend.

McNamee was very pleased with the way Pines functioned in midfield, an area in which his side has had problems this season. He should be even more pleased after Pines' clash with Thomastown at Monterey Reserve on Saturday.

I said it last week and I'll say it again. I'm mystified as to the reasons behind Thomastown player-coach George McMillan leaving experienced midfielder Alan Kerr out of the starting line-up.

I.T. Gray Reserve has become the new Selwyn Park of the State League. It's lunar-

like landscape has caused the downfall of a few sides this season but not on Saturday when Springvale City takes its turn to try out the lumps and bumps of this dreadful surface. Even though Paris Tzambazis and little Lou Debono should be back in Melbourne's starting line-up, Springvale looks to have too much class and grit.

Former Sunshine star Ian McCarthy is Melbourne's caretaker coach. Paddy Bannon will regain the coaching reins upon his return from the World Cup finals.

Western Suburbs will find Morwell Falcons a handful at North Reserve on Saturday.

Gerry Clarke is expected to be in Falcons' starting line-up, either at right back or as sweeper and Suburbs are expected to field the same side that beat Polonia 2-0 even though Brendan Farmer could be back from injury.

I'm tipping a draw.

Here are this weekend's games with likely winners in capitals:

SATURDAY
FRANKSTON PINES v Thomas-town at Monterey Reserve, 3pm

Melbourne Hungaria v SPRINGVALE CITY at J.T. Gray Reserve, 3pm
Morwell Falcons v Western Suburbs (draw) at North Cringan Reserve, 3pm

SUNDAY
Ringwood Wilhelmina v Northcote (draw) at Jubilee Park, 3pm
BOX HILL v St Albans Dinamo at Wembley Park, 3pm

FAWKNER v Caulfield at Smith Reserve, 3pm
Polonia CROYDON at Raleigh Reserve, 3pm

Punch-up at Port

• Phil Diamataris has been asked to resign as captain of Victorian Third Division club Port Melbourne after a punch-up at training last week with team mate Arthur Akridis.

Diamataris has been captain of Port Melbourne for the past two seasons. He is a former Victorian youth team player and has had stints at Melbourne Hungaria, Western Suburbs and Caulfield.

Diamataris played his last game with Port Melbourne last weekend. Not because of the punch-up, though. He's going overseas this week for three months.

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Flying start for Kelly

By MIKE LYNN

Thomastown 0 R Wilhelmina 2

Scorer: Storm 8th, 38th.
Venue: Partridge Reserve, Sunday.

Ringwood Wilhelmina's new coach Tom Kelly got off to a flying start against a Thomastown team that lacked effort and imagination and Thomastown fans didn't hide their feelings when Nino Di Martino was replaced by Brian Flaherty in the second half.

Alan Kerr also was on the



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Buffalo State League Standings

	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
ST. ALB. DINAMO	6	4	1	17	5	16
FRANSTON PINES	6	3	2	18	10	15
SPRINGVALE	5	5	1	14	7	15
FAWKNER	6	3	1	12	5	15
West Suburbs	6	6	3	19	15	14
Box Hill	6	3	3	18	11	13
Croydon City	6	5	2	21	10	12
Thomastown	6	4	1	19	9	12
Caulfield	4	4	1	16	22	9
Morwell Falcons	3	3	6	15	18	8
Polonia	2	3	6	7	13	7
Northcote	2	3	6	14	24	7
Melb-Hungaria	1	4	6	11	22	6
Wilhelmina	2	2	7	6	22	6

CAULFIELD CITY 2 (Koutos 10th, Taylor 56th) MELBOURNE HUNGARIA 1 (Debono 71st) at Princes Park, Saturday.

CAULFIELD CITY: Alexandropoulos 7 — Vassilis 8, Brooks 8, Tofari 7, Tsitsiris 7 — Armanitis 7 (Koureas 82nd), Taylor 8, Koutos 7, Theodoras 7 — Zemunik 8, Topalidis 6 (Filippos 71st). B.C. Coach: Takis Svigos.

MELBOURNE HUNGARIA: Kiss 7 — Szabo 5 (Wallace H.T. 8), Bird 7, Edmiston 6, Dagnall 6 — S. Wild 7, Beletsky 6, Mills 5 (Debono 70th).

Roberts 6, Morey 6, L. Theodosopoulos 8. Coach: Ian McCarthy (caretaker).

Best three for Ametco Travel award: 3. Zemunik (C), 2. L. Theodosopoulos (M), 1. Brooks (C).

NORTHCOTE 2 (Toal 60th, 63rd) MORWELL FALCONS 2 (Stirton 5th, Verechia 40th) at John Cain Reserve, Saturday.

NORTHCOTE: Giannopoulos 7 — Cutler 6 — Stilakos 5 (Bekaris H.T. 6). Kouremenos 5 (inj) Bellengro 80th, Bozikis 7, J. Constantinos 6 — P. Kovacs 7, Tsiros 6 — Toal 8, Patsakos 6, P. Constantinos 6. Coach: Frank Munro.

MORWELL FALCONS: Eacott 6 — M. Cassar 5, Bingham 6, Bruns 6, Train 6 — E. Cassar 6, O'Callaghan 6, T. Tsiros 7 — Verechia 5 Stirton 7, A. Cassar 6. Coach: Dave O'Connor.

Best three for Ametco Travel award: 3. O'Callaghan (MF), 2. Toal (N), 1. Patroklos (N).

CAULFIELD CITY 1 (Nelson 60th, 63rd) BOX HILL 1 (Griﬃn 60th) at Ross Reserve, Sunday.

SPRINGVALE CITY: Whitehead 7 — Bentley 7, Adams 7, Bissinger 6, Hobson 8 — Nelson 7, G. Bannon 6, Bell 6, Garvey 8 — Atherach 7, House 5. Coach: Bobby McLachlan.

BOX HILL: McKinlay 7 — McPherson 5, Davidson 7, Hennessy 8. Roodhouse 6 — Tsiros 6, Hughes 6, Bruns 6 — Gagic 5 (Appazidis 75th).

Kimber 7 — McKenna 6. Coach: Keith Webster.

Best three for Ametco Travel award: 3. Miller (FP), 2. Krajacic (St A.), 1. Ross (FP).

WESTERN SUBURBS 2 (A. Czaplinski own goal 20th, McGuinness 33rd) POLONIA 0 at Ralph Reserve, Sunday.

WESTERN SUBURBS: Cinc 7 — Beattie 8, Esposito 7, Smallman 7, Hamann 7 — Palmer 7, Tsiros 7, Kekanakis 7 — McCluskey 7.

POLONIA: Dachs 6 — Liparski 7 — Czapinski 3 (Farrugia H.T. 5), Smolarek 7, Chetcuti 4 — Kadlecik 6 (inj) Zembrey 75th, P. Czapinski 3, G. Czapinski 7 — Warszawski 4, Przybyla 4, Stewart 4. Stewart 7. Coach: Kaz Kulak.

Best three for Ametco Travel award: 3. Tuck (WS), 2. Beattie (WS), 1. Dimovski (WS).

THOMASTOWN 0 RINGWOOD WILHELMINA 2 (Storm 8th, 38th) at Partridge Reserve, Sunday.

THOMASTOWN: Raponi 5 — Rainey 6, Pinot 7, Cosentino 6, Hatchett 6 — Carfara 5, Di Marino 6 (Flaherty 87th), Evans 5, Coyle 6 (Inj) — H. H. 6 — Higham 6 — R. Williams 5. Coach: George McMillan.

RINGWOOD WILHELMINA: Kasimir 7 — Roderick 6, Corke 6, Verniers 7, Lange 6 — Thomson 9 (inj) Angula 80th), Bakker 7, Bates 7, McKeon 7 — Nijhuis 6, Storm 7. Coach: Tom Kelly.

Best three for Ametco Travel award: 3. Thomson (RW), 2. Kasimir (RW), 1. Storm (RW).

AMETCO TRAVEL AWARD

Ametco Travel, in conjunction with VSF Travel, will provide a return trip to Singapore to the 1986 State League Player of the Year.

Leading votegetters:

1 — D. Pines (Springvale)

13 — Adams, Bell (Springvale)

12 — M. Wilson (Dinamo)

11 — Krajacic (Dinamo), Hennessy (Box Hill), Cozzella (Fawkner)

10 — L. Theodosopoulos (Melbourne)

9 — Burto (Box Hill), Morovic (Dinamo), Tuck (Suburbs)

Man of the match:
STUART THOMSON
(R Wilhelmina)

Thomastown bench but never got a run.

Wilhelmina thoroughly deserved what was to be a match-winning 2-0 halftime lead.

Andy Higgins had a night in front of goal and will want to forget this match in a hurry. In the 5th minute, after a good run by Brian Coyle, Higgins overran the ball when he was right in front of the Wilhelmina goal and a minute later, from a goalmouth scramble, Higgins' mistimed shot was blocked on the line.

Wilhelmina hit the front in the 8th minute. Paul Corke played a free kick high and long into the Thomastown area. Mauro Raponi charged out of goal but Kees Storm got to the ball first and headed into the empty net.

In the 20th minute a long throw-in put Higgins in possession. He mistimed his shot and George McMullan struck the ball over from five metres.

In the 26th minute Di Martino made a good run down the right. His fine cross picked out Higgins who was unmarked and under no pressure whatsoever yet still managed to head wide.

Higgins did get the ball into the Wilhelmina net shortly after only to be ruled offside and the game was put out of Thomastown's reach in the 38th minute.

Corke played the ball long to Nijhuis whose superb flick with the outside of his boot sent Storm through. Without changing strike, knocked the ball forward with his first touch and with his second sent a delicate chip over the head of Raponi to make it 2-0. It was as good a goal as you could wish to see.

Wilhelmina made sure to defend in numbers in the second half but when it went forward it did so quickly.

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Man of the match:
ANTHONY CASSAR
(Victoria)

Australia 5
Victoria 4
VICTORIA: L. Intrissi 7,

DEPLETED VICTORIA BEATEN

R. Nogger 7, A. Cassar 8, E. Boin 8, S. Sella 1, G. Whitehead 1, C. Carlisle 1, C. Clark 1, Australia: C. Carlisle 7, R. Stewart 8, S. Knight 8, H. McKinlay 7, S. Gilligan 7, G. Jeffries 8.

Coach Dean Poropat of the Victorian team was not able to field the

side he intended due to a number of late injuries and the unavailability of players because of outdoor soccer commitments.

Nevertheless, the game began very well for

Victoria with two goals scored by Anthony Cassar in the first 10 minutes.

The spectators, obviously going for Victoria, were pleased. Not so Australia's coach, Nick Nico-

lopoulos, whose boys, mainly from Sydney, were hoping for an easy game.

Victoria was playing within itself in the first half but two goals from Australia through Steve

Knight and Glen Jeffries soon changed the picture. The Victorians nevertheless managed to end the half with a 3-2 lead.

Poropat decided to make changes in order to try out his other charges,

but unfortunately some of these changes threw Victoria off its stride. As a result, there were three goals scored by Australia past an uncertain Victorian defence.

another change to the line-up saw Victoria score its fourth goal but time was against it and Australia ran out a 5-4 winner.

ELIMINATORS WIN PENALTY SHOWDOWN

Eliminators 6 Furious Five 6

Eliminators won 3-1 on penalties.

FURIOUS FIVE: M. Eideh 8, H. Eideh 8, L. Stiliidis 7, T. Gaspariatis 7, M. Tenace 8, M. Panagiotou 9.

ELIMINATORS: M. Bissett 8, E. Boin 8, S. Terzini 9, S. Kostopoulos 8, M. Neal 5.

GOALS CORERS: M. Eideh 3, M. Tenace 3, M. Panagiotou 2, M. Bissett 2, E. Boin 3, M. Giacomo (E).

The game was sure to be a very thrilling and eventful semi-final in the Thomastown League.

The Eliminators again were fielding a team which was depleted due to injuries.

The first five minutes saw the ball go from end to end with no side gaining control. This soon changed when Muzi Eideh, from just over the centre, put away the first goal for the Furious Five.

This was soon followed by a great shot by Michael Panagiotou which was saved by the keeper, but within seconds Muzi Eideh scored again.

The Furious Five now had the confidence to control the game, but the Eliminators fumbling with Bissett building up fouls and getting his team into a no-wall situation, but a deflection off Giacomo saved the Eliminators from conceding another goal.

Soon after, Maurice Bissett scored the Eliminators' first goal then it was Boin's turn to equalise a minute and a half before the break. Seconds before the end of the first half a burst by Theo Galatopoulos saw Terzini save a brilliant shot.

As soon as the second half commenced Terzini had a shot which hit the post. He latched onto the rebound and had a second shot which went in.

From the kick off, Ernie Boin scored for the Eliminators to make it 3-3.

All of this action happened in a matter of minutes then Muzi Eideh put the Furious Five in the lead again.

Twelve and a half minutes into the half Les Stiliidis had a shot which forced Terzini out of the area and seconds later a shot by Panagiotou registered the fifth goal for the Five.

Fifteen minutes into the half and all is not lost for the Eliminators when Boin made it 5-4 and within minutes it was 5-5.

Being a semi final, extra time was played.

Four minutes into time-on, Giacomi for the Eliminators scored. A second player for the Furious Five was given a blue card and asked to leave the field.

In the second half of time-on, Michael Panagiotou scored for the Furious Five and penalties were taken.

The keepers were now put to the test and Terzini for the Eliminators came out on top with three saves compared to one by Hass Eideh.



• Tony Neal of Knox — his fine goal couldn't stop Bayswater winning 3-1.

Man of the match:
NELSON RIBEIRO
(Makedonia)

Goodonya 3 Makedonia 2

Goodonya, with one game in hand, is only one point off top spot after defeating Makedonia.

Makedonia has held top spot for most of the season much to the frustration of its older opponents.

Consistency is its claim to fame as it methodically works the ball into position for easy shots at goal.

Goodonya came out prepared for a tough encounter and that's exactly what it got.

Dennis Mahoney and David Camilleri provided the early scoring opportunities bagging a goal each. They were well supported by George Thalassuros,

Goodonya a point behind Makedonia

Bill Nikolakios and Sok Pamoutsis.

Giovanni Giordano worked hard in goals providing plenty of vocal and physical support. Only one shot got past him, a power-packed drive from Ivan Muradov.

The Makedonia boys worked hard particularly in defence where Nelson Ribeiro made some superb saves as teammates Velice

Kondinski, Ivan Muradov and Michael Contos tried to hold firm.

The half time score of 2-1 changed to 3-1 as David Camilleri scored his second goal early in the second half.

However the Goodonya players began to run up fouls and the Makedonia boys worked hard at their game plan.

Finally, Velice Kondinski

slammed home Makedonia's second goal.

At 3-2 the game was wide open again but Goodonya managed to hold out.

The clash between Euronations and Goodonya now takes on monumental proportions as the result seems certain to determine which team gets the double chance.

In other games, Euronations were too strong for a

galant Mutundunes running out 4-2 winners and Split, making a late charge into final contention, had a 5-0 win against Cosmos.

In the Youth League, Devils held onto third spot defeating United Nations 2-1 while Makedonia B closed the gap on top side Junior Cosmos.

Senior results: Goodonya 3 Makedonia 2, Euronations 4 Mutundunes 2, Split 5 Cosmos 0.

Senior standings

	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Makedonia	6	1	2	33	15	25
Goodonya	6	1	3	32	11	24
Euronations	6	0	2	31	19	23
Split	5	1	3	34	22	23
Cosmos	3	1	4	16	23	18
Mutundunes	1	0	8	12	36	14

Youth results: Devils 2 United Nations 1, Makedonia B 3 Junior Cosmos 0.

Youth standings

	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Juniors	6	0	2	31	14	26
Makedonia	4	3	1	27	13	25
Devils	3	0	5	14	16	23
Makedonia A	3	1	4	16	15	21
United Nations	1	1	7	13	45	15

WELL DONE, HUGH McCANN

Bayswater 3 Knox 1

BAYSWATER: N. Van Egmond 2, H. McKinlay 2, H. McCann 3, H. Castillo 7, R. Akdeniz 7, W. Bellamy 6.

KNOX: N. Alexandropoulos 8, B. Neal 5, T. Neal 7, T. Deleo 6, G. Whitehouse 8, F. Iannelli 6.

A depleted Bayswater did well to overcome a full-strength Knox.

Hugh McKinlay opened the scoring after 10 minutes from a great pass by Hugh McCann.

After the goal, Bayswater relaxed, and only good goalkeeping by Nick Van Egmond kept Knox at bay.

Right on the stroke of half time, a good interchange by Castillo and

McCann set up Diaz who cracked home a beauty to make the halftime score 2-0.

In the second half, Bayswater dominated with McKinlay and McCann setting up good chances for Castillo only to see them wasted.

Knox lifted its game and was rewarded when Tony Neal volleyed home from close range, after some slack marking in the Bayswater defence.

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NINE-GOAL TKALCEVIC

Round two at Donvale saw many goals scored among the 10 teams in the Group One competition.

In fact a total of 62 goals were scored with nine scored by Frank Tkalcevic for the Sunshine team Riviera.

This bagful of goals has already made him a clear leader in the race for top goalscorer honors.

Canons played a mighty game to down the enthusiastic Shakers. Bonds, hopeful of an easier game than the previous week, were thrashed by Riviera.

Disciples, in their new

strips, could not show enough form to beat the very strong Riviera side which now is lying in second position.

League leaders Kaiser Chiefs hammered home 12 goals to send Calypso tumbling.

Finally, the very cool Smooth Operators left the Devil floundering by defeating them 10-1.

The Donvale league has some interesting games this week with two State League clashes and one final being played. Spectators are welcome and any interested players for future competitions are asked to come down and speak to Dean Poropat.

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Air Malta player of the year award

Leading votegetters:

- 11 — Farrugia (ME)
- 10 — Woods (UA)
- 9 — Watt (WF, Nastevski (RI))
- 8 — Talevski (WM), Peil (FM), Filipovic (A), Drys (P)
- 7 — J Campbell (MW), Genc (UA), Blazic (A)
- 6 — Van Egmond (MF) Giannone (B), Torteviski (R), Rosano (UA), Watson (K), Colussi (P)

PENRITH CITY 0 WOLLONGONG MACEDONIA 2 (Robinson 25th, Talevski 35th) at Cook Park.

PENRITH: Edwards 6 — K. Thompson 6, D. Campbell 7 Shaw 7, Kerrigan 6 — Jamieson 7, C. Thompson 6, Cross 5 — Hunter 8, Martinez 6, Gray 5 —

WOLL. MACEDONIA: G. Robinson 7 — Muhlbauer 7, Talevski 8, Sutler 7, Ruckin 8 — Wallbourn 8, Todorovski 7, Bingham 7, B. Robinson 7 — Gardner 8, Gitalev 7

Best players for the Air Malta award: 3. Talevski, 2. Gardner, 1. Hunter

SUTHERLAND 0 AVALA 1 (Brown 30th) at Seymour Shaw Park.

SUTHERLAND: Bowman 7 — Nelson 6, Burrows 7, Terry 7, Seller 6 — Dalhoff 6, Harrington 6, Leonid 7, Johnston 8 — Hughes 6, Hall 6

AVALA: Thurlo 8 — Blackburn 7, Ataligic 8, Pena 7, Divani 7 — Blazic 8, Kordic 9, Filipovic 8, Cootes 7 — Jeffery 8 (Radio 51st — 7), Brown 7

Best players for the Air Malta award: 3. Kodor, 2. Blazic, 1. Johnston

MANLY WARRINGAH 1 (Allan 14th) KU-RING-GAI 0 at Cromer Park.

MANLY: Cain 8 — Dennis 6, Dick 7, Robin 7, Van Egmond 6 (48th S. Dick 7) — Campbell 6, Marshall 6, Dean 7, Sturt 7 — Allan 7 (84th Pierce), McIntosh 6

KU-RING-GAI: Peppar 7 — Pepper 7, Bertram 6, Watson 7, Goldsworthy 6, Groome 6, Sutherland 7, Quigley 5 (Williamson 75th), Tkachuk 6 — Nile 7, Bass 6

Best players for the Air Malta award: 3. Campbell, 2. Cain, 1. Watson

URUGUAYAN AUBURN 1 (Van Helden 60th) FRESHWATER 2 (J. Bottalico 28th) o. 5 (5th)

URUGUAYAN: Taberner 7 — O'Donnell 7, Woods 8 — Pinz 7, Tomasic 7 — Masquer 6, Pagano 6 (Vecchetti 75th), Medina 6 (Cuba 80th), Genc 7 — Van Helden 7, Carrizo 6

FRESHWATER: Bowmen 8 — J. Bottalico 7, Sterrey 7, Watt 8, Green 7, Berry 5, A. Bottalico 7, Garrett 7, J. O'Rourke 5 — Walker 7, Gammie 7

Best players for the Air Malta award: 3. Watt, 2. Woods, 1. Green

MELITA EAGLES 1 (Foxman 82nd) FAIRY MEADOW 0 at Melita Stadium.

MELITA: Puopac 7 — Lair 7, McCoy 6, Wilson 8, Williams 8 — Serbias 6, Farrugia 8, H. Tredinnick 8 — Foxman 7, Farnsworth 7, Meerbau 7

FAIRY MEADOW: Krajcovic 8 — White 7, Berringer 6, Kerr 7, Hobbs 6 — Peil 5, Richardson 7, Coldran 23rd S. Baker 5; (23rd Cano), 6 — Dummett 6, W. Baker 5

Best players for the Air Malta award: 3. H. Tredinnick, 2. Farrugia, 1. Krajcovic

ROCKDALE ILINDEN 2 (Genovese 6th, Nastevski 43rd) POLONIA 0 at Hurstville.

ILINDEN: Genovese 6 — Wilson 7, Polonka 7 (55th Jones — 6), D. Wilson 7, Rodas 7 — Tortesko 7, Dauplant 7, Nastevski 6 (77th Spivacki) — Nastevski 6, Ristevski 7

POLONIA: Zic 7 — Kulwicki 6 (Mahamah), Lasek 7, Robertson 7, Ugarkovic 6 — Colluso 6, Drys 8, Geekie 7 — Pop 7, Janic 6, Druc 5

Best players for the Air Malta award: 3. Nastevski, 2. G. Wilson, 1. Drv

Skypak State League standings

	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
MANLY WARRINGAH	5	2	2	13	6	12
MELITA EAGLES	4	3	2	18	7	11
AVALA	4	3	2	9	5	11
WOLL. MACEDONIA	4	3	2	7	4	11
Freshwater	5	1	3	17	16	11
Sutherland	4	2	3	10	9	10
Ku-Ring-Gai	3	4	2	8	7	10
Rock. Ilinden	4	1	4	15	13	9
Uruguayan Aub	2	5	2	7	10	9
Polonia	2	4	3	10	16	8
Fairy Meadow	2	0	7	10	14	4
Penrith City	1	0	8	25	25	0

2nd Grade results: Melita Eagles — Fairy Meadow 1-1, Uruguayan — Freshwater 1-3, Manly Warringah — Ku-Ring-Gai 0-0, Sutherland — Avala 1-0, Ilinden — Polonia 2-0, Penrith City — Wollongong Macedonia 4-0.

Uruguayan — Freshwater 4-0, Manly Warringah — Ku-Ring-Gai 1-0, Sutherland — Avala 3-0, Rockdale Ilinden 2-0, Polonia 1-0, Penrith City — Wollongong Macedonia 3-0.

	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
FRESHWATER	7	1	2	11	15	17
MELITA EAGLES	6	2	1	17	12	14
SUTHERLAND	6	1	2	17	13	12
PENRITH CITY	5	4	2	16	11	10
Uruguayan Aub	4	2	16	11	10	9
Ku-Ring-Gai	4	1	3	18	14	10
Fairy Meadow	3	2	4	13	14	9
Avala	3	1	5	11	14	7
Uruguayan — Freshwater	2	3	4	16	21	7
Wollongong Macedonia	2	2	5	16	20	6
Fairy Meadow	1	0	7	9	7	3
Rock. Ilinden	1	6	32	5	5	2
Polonia	1	7	7	25	3	1

	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
SUTHERLAND	8	1	0	27	4	17
MELITA EAGLES	9	3	0	30	8	14
PENRITH CITY	6	2	1	35	8	14
Uruguayan Aub	5	2	2	17	9	12
Ku-Ring-Gai	4	1	3	18	14	10
Fairy Meadow	3	2	4	13	14	9
Avala	3	1	5	11	14	7
Uruguayan — Freshwater	2	3	4	16	21	7
Wollongong Macedonia	2	2	5	16	20	6
Fairy Meadow	1	0	7	9	7	3
Rock. Ilinden	1	6	32	5	5	2
Polonia	1	7	7	25	3	1

3rd Grade TABLE

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MELITA EAGLES 6 2 1 17 12 14

SUTHERLAND 6 1 2 17 13 12

PENRITH CITY 5 4 2 16 11 10

Uruguayan Aub 4 1 4 9 10 9

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Lyndale Utd	3	2	6	17	25	8
Skye Rovers	3	4	6	12	18	7
Dedney Park	2	1	8	15	32	3
Carrum Utd	2	1	8	15	32	3
RESERVES						
Lalor	7	2	1	31	12	16
Waverley Utd	7	2	2	32	18	16
West Utd	6	2	3	30	23	17
Riversdale	5	3	3	32	17	13
North Utd	5	3	2	19	20	13
Lyndale Utd	5	3	2	19	20	13
Carrum Utd	5	2	4	25	16	12
Ringwood Rovers	5	1	5	24	23	11
Balwyn Utd	3	4	5	17	29	10
S. Kilk	1	5	6	16	18	9
Skye Rovers	1	5	6	16	18	9
Dedney Park	1	5	5	13	31	7
Mulgrave	1	3	6	13	19	6
Kensington Utd	2	0	8	16	40	4

AMAT ONE	5	1	2	21	16	11
Ascal St Marks	5	0	2	22	12	10
Brighton	5	0	2	18	11	10
Balwyn City	5	0	3	12	12	10
Collingwood City	4	2	2	16	14	10
Epping Thistle	5	0	3	12	11	10
Phil. H. Inst.	4	4	2	10	14	10
End. Hills	2	2	4	18	19	11
Northern Subs	2	2	4	18	19	11
Eagles Utd	1	3	4	10	19	5
Diamond Valley	2	0	8	10	19	5
Melbourne Utd	1	1	6	12	21	3
RESERVES						
Collingwood Cy	6	1	1	34	8	13
Accel St Marks	5	2	2	22	12	10
Balwyn City	5	2	2	17	7	12
Epping Thistle	6	0	2	17	13	8
Maccab	4	3	1	16	11	11
Brighton	1	1	3	13	15	15
Melbourne Uni	1	1	3	13	15	15
End. Hills	2	1	5	14	25	12
Eagles Utd	1	5	14	25	12	5
Diamond Valley	1	3	4	7	13	5
Northern Subs	2	0	6	13	27	4
Philip Inst.	1	0	6	16	3	3
AMAT TWO						
East Richmo	5	0	2	27	16	11
Hawthorn Utd	5	1	32	14	16	11
East Altona	5	0	2	22	7	9
Diggers Rovers	4	1	2	12	9	9
Waverley Wnd	3	1	2	17	10	8
Skye Rovers	1	2	1	17	10	8
Old Scotch	3	2	13	11	8	6
Concord	2	4	14	18	11	6
Yarra Utd	1	2	4	14	24	8
Oakleigh Utd	0	0	7	14	24	8
St Melbourne						
AMAT ONE						
Knock City	5	2	0	21	9	12
Garden City	4	3	0	20	5	11
Halfmoor Inds	4	2	2	16	11	10
Orsett Town	3	2	2	20	14	8
Ansett	1	5	1	11	12	7
Embassy Thistle	2	2	2	18	14	6
Oakleigh City	1	3	3	7	13	5
Nippindenco	1	1	5	13	34	3
Sunderby	0	0	7	21	27	4
RESERVES						
West Footscray	4	1	0	7	7	4
AMAT TWO						
Kings Pk Heights	5	2	0	21	9	12
S. Albans Wands	4	3	0	18	5	11
Halfmoor Inds	4	2	2	16	11	10
Orsett Town	3	2	2	20	14	8
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Oakleigh City	1	3	3	7	13	5
Nippindenco	1	1	5	13	34	3
Sunderby	0	0	7	21	27	4
AMAT TWO						
Knock City	4	0	0	16	2	8
S. Vlabe A' City	3	0	0	18	7	6
Mitcham	3	0	0	18	7	6
Clifton Hill	4	0	0	18	7	4
East Richmo	0	0	3	12	1	1
RESERVES						
East Footscray	4	1	0	7	7	4
AMAT ONE						
W D L F A P T						
Lemnos'	7	1	0	22	18	11
Central Sports	6	0	2	22	18	11
L.E.T.	6	0	2	22	18	11
Dandy Olympic	5	1	2	23	13	11
Preston Rovers	5	0	3	18	11	10
Clarinda A'	0	0	4	19	1	1
RESERVES						
Eastern A	5	1	2	23	11	10
North Utd	5	0	3	18	11	10
East Footscray	5	0	2	22	18	11
West Footscray	4	1	0	7	7	4
AMAT THREE						
North Utd	4	1	2	23	11	10
East Footscray	3	0	1	18	10	9
Waverley Wnd	3	0	2	22	7	9
Old Parasols	3	0	2	12	9	9
Cambridge	3	0	2	18	7	6
Dedney Park	2	2	2	14	12	6
Yarra Utd	2	2	17	15	7	6
Diamond Valley	2	1	5	14	25	12
North Utd	1	1	4	14	27	15
RESERVES						
West Footscray	4	1	0	7	7	4
AMAT TWO						
Clarendon B'	4	0	0	20	8	8
Waverley Cy B'	3	0	0	10	6	5
East Richmo	3	0	0	18	7	6
Preston R.	4	3	1	23	9	11
Lemnos'	4	4	2	14	9	10
Western Olympic	4	2	2	14	9	10
Central Sports	4	2	2	14	9	10
Prichard	4	4	2	14	9	10
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Waverley Cy B'	3	0	0	10	6	5
East Richmo	3	0				



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SOUTHERN DIVISION

South Melbourne Hellas vs Brisbane City

Middle Park 3pm SUNDAY

Youth Game:

South Melbourne vs Frankston Pines at 12.45pm



KEN MURPHY



MARTYN CROOK

Adelaide City vs West Adelaide Hellas

Olympic Sports Field 2.30pm SUNDAY

Southern Division Youth Game:

Nunawading City vs Brighton V.T.B.A.



IAN MCKIE

Brisbane Lions vs Green Gully

Richlands 3pm SUNDAY

Southern Division Youth Game:

Fawkner vs Green Gully V.T.B.A.



VLADO STOSIC

Footscray JUST vs Brunswick Utd Juventus

Schintler Reserve 3pm SUNDAY

Youth Game:

Footscray J.U.S.T. vs Juventus at 12.45pm



LUKA BONACIC

Melb Croatia vs Sunshine George Cross

Olympic Park No 1, 3pm SUNDAY

Youth Game:

Melbourne Croatia vs Sunshine George Cross at 12.45pm



DAVE HOGBEN

H'berg Utd Alexander vs Preston Makedonia

Olympic Village 3pm SUNDAY

Youth Game

Heidelberg Utd vs Preston Makedonia at 12.45pm

NORTHERN DIVISION

Inter Monaro vs St George
at Bruce Stadium 3pm SUNDAY

Marconi vs A.P.I.A. Leichardt
at Marconi Stadium 3pm SUNDAY

Canterbury Olympic vs Newcastle Rosebud
at Arlington Oval 3pm SUNDAY

Sydney City vs Canberra City
at Sydney Athletic Field 3pm SUNDAY

Blacktown City vs Sydney Croatia
at Gabbie Stadium 3pm SUNDAY

Wollongong City vs Sydney Olympic
at Wollongong Showground 3pm MONDAY

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